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steamers to touch at this port for coffee for Europe. As a rule they come from infected or suspicious ports. Five bills of health were issued.

Respectfully,

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

[Inclosure.]

Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction (city, playa, and surrounding country) during the month of November, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., December 6, 1901.

Diseases of—		Tuberculosis.....	10
Digestive system.....	38	Cancer.....	2
Respiratory system.....	11	Wounds.....	1
Circulatory system.....	5	Metritis.....	1
Nervous system.....	7	Puerperal fever.....	2
Anæmia, malnutrition, inanition.....	12	Hepatitis.....	3
Malaria.....	8	Rhachitis.....	2
Typhoid fever.....	1		
La grippe.....	4	Total.....	108
Nephritis.....	1		

Number of deaths reported during November, 1901 (a).....	108
Number of deaths reported during November, 1900 (a).....	270
Number of births reported during November, 1901 (a).....	115
Number of births reported during November, 1900 (a).....	115

a These figures are for the city proper, the playa, and surrounding district of Ponce, P. R.

Inspection of immigrants at Ponce for the week ended December 7, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., December 9, 1901.

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended December 7, 1901.

December 4, French steamship *St. Domingue*, from Fort de France and St. Thomas, with 6 immigrants.

Respectfully,

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 15; number passed, 15.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from San Juan and subports.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 5, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following report of the transactions of the Service at this and the 6 subports of the island of Porto Rico for the month of November, 1901:

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected, 19; number of bills of health issued, 30; number of vessels held in quarantine, 3; number of

vessels disinfected, none ; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 93 ; number of sacks of mail disinfected, 8 ; number of persons detained in quarantine, none.

The steamship *Caracas*, from Puerto Cabello, Curaçao, and La Guayra, arrived on the 6th instant. Bill of health from Curaçao showed 5 cases of yellow fever there with 1 death. The vessel took no passengers from Curaçao, but brought 2 sacks of mail, which were taken to the island and disinfected. The steamer was held in quarantine to load freight and mail and embark passengers for New York. She sailed for New York on the 6th.

On the 17th instant the French steamship *Saint Simon* entered from Petit Goave, Gonaive, Port au Prince, and Cape Haitien. All passengers for this port being immune they were permitted to land. Six pieces of baggage and 2 sacks of mail, destined for San Juan, were removed to the quarantine station and disinfected. The vessel was held in quarantine under guard while she remained at this port.

The provisional flag steamship *Jubia* arrived on the 19th from Cuban and Dominican ports via Ponce and Mayaguez. All bills of health submitted by this vessel were clean, and as she had been disinfected as usual at Santiago, Cuba, she was given free pratique and all passengers for San Juan, being immune, were permitted to land. Eleven pieces of baggage and 3 sacks of mail were removed to the quarantine station and disinfected.

The Spanish steamship *Cataluna* entered on the 19th from Havana, Port Limon, Colon, Sabanilla, Puerto Cabello, and La Guayra, via Ponce. All bills of health clean. The vessel carried 2 pieces of baggage from San Juan, Porto Rico, in transit to Havana, and this was held in bond here while the vessel remained in port. The vessel was placed in quarantine under guard.

The provisional flag steamship *Maria Herrera* from Cuban and Dominican ports entered on the 28th. She had undergone her usual disinfection at Santiago, Cuba, and as all bills of health presented by the vessel were clean she was given free pratique. All passengers for San Juan presented satisfactory evidence of immunity and were allowed to land. Seventy-six pieces of baggage and 1 sack of mail were removed to the island and subjected to disinfection.

I inclose herein the vital statistics of San Juan.

The following embraces a summary of the transactions of the 6 sub-ports during the month: Vessels inspected at Mayaguez, 11; Arecibo, 4; Humacao, 4; Aguadilla, 5; Fajardo, none; Arroyo, 1.

The following embraces the mortality reports received from the sub-ports: Mayaguez, 126; Arecibo, 106; Humacao, 34; Aguadilla, 39; Fajardo, 32; Arroyo, 17.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON.

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Vital statistics of San Juan, P. R., for the month of November, 1901.

Anthrax.....	1	Pericarditis	1
Anæmia.....	4	Pernicious malarial fever.....	2
Asystolia.....	1	Pulmonary emphysema.....	2
Athrepsia.....	3	Pulmonary tuberculosis.....	10
Broncho-pneumonia.....	3	Pyæmia	1
Bronchitis.....	8	Rachitis	1
Cancer of the face.....	1	Shock, traumatic.....	1
Cardiac lesion	2	Streptococci infection.....	1
Cerebral congestion.....	1	Syphilis.....	1
Cirrhosis of the liver.....	2	Tetanus.....	1
Chronic alcoholism.....	1	Wounds, shot.....	1
Cachexiæ.....	4		
Encephalitis	1	Total	74
Enteritis	4		
Endo-carditis.....	2	November, 1900—	
Gastro-enteritis.....	3	Births	64
Hepatitis.....	1	Deaths.....	67
La grippe.....	1	November, 1901—	
Mitral insufficiency	5	Births.....	67
Nephritis.....	1	Deaths.....	74
Peritonitis	2		

Inspection of immigrants at San Juan during the week ended December 7, 1901.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 9, 1901.

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended December 7, 1901. December 4, French steamship *Olinde Rodrigues*, from Havre, Bordeaux, St. Thomas, with 6 immigrants; American steamship *Caracas*, from Puerto Cabello, La Guayra, and Curaçao, West Indies, with 4 immigrants. Total, 10.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of San Juan, P. R., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 73; number passed, 73.

H. S. MATHEWSON,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.*

Inspection of immigrants at San Juan during the week ended November 30, 1901.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 2, 1901.

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended November 30, 1901. November 28, Cuban steamship *Maria Herrera*, from Cuban and Dominican ports, with 6 immigrants. November 30, Spanish steamship *Ciudad de Cadiz*,